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FOR: PROCESS FOR PREPARING ALIPHATIC FLUOROFORMATES

CASE: BA-22788

GROUP:

EXAMINER:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Asst. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the application filed contemporaneously herewith, please amend the application as follows:

In The Abstract

Attached please find a copy of the Abstract of The Disclosure to be attached to the Specification as the last page following the claims.

In The Claims

Please cancel claims 1 to 19, without prejudice and substitute therefor the following claims 20 to 40:

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1¹⁹.
--20. (New) Process for preparing an aliphatic fluorofomate from an aliphatic alcohol, characterized in that carbonyl fluoride is reacted with the aliphatic

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